However, project proposals are received under Swawlamban and STEP Schemes for training and skill upgradation of women, necessary arrangement for which is made by the implementing agency once the project is sanctioned.

(d) Other Schemes for upliftment of women in Tamil Nadu are:

(i) Short stay homes for Women and Girls

The objective is to rehabilitate those women and girls who are deprived of social support due to family problems, mental strains, social ostracism, exploitation or other causes. The scheme envisages the services/facilities *viz.* medical care, psychiatric treatment, casework services, occupation therapy, education, vocational and recreational activities and social facilities of adjustment.

(ii) Scheme for construction/expansion of working women hostels with a day care centre

The objective of the scheme is to provide cheap and safe hostel accommodation to employed women, widows, divorcees, separated and working women whose husbands are out of town. Women getting training for employment are also eligible to stay in the hostel. The Government funds 75% of the construction cost and 50 per cent of the land cost.

(iii) Swadhar

The Swadhar Scheme purports to address the specific vulnerability of each group of women in difficult circumstances through a home-based holistic and integrated approach.

Scheme for teaching through satellites

†2075. SHRI BALAVANT *ALIAS* BALAPTE:
SHRI RUDRANARAYAN PANY:

Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the National Teachers Training Institute has formulated a scheme for teaching through satellite in various States;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

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(c) the States selected for this purpose in the first phase; and

(d) the expenditure likely to be incurred on this plan?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI M.A.A. FATMI): (a) There is no Central institution by the name "National Teachers Training Institute".

(b) to (d) Do not arise.

Irregularities in Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan

†2076. SHRI P.K. MAHESHWARI: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan, the famous educational organization of the country, is within grip of grove of irregularities now-a-days;

(b) if so, the details in this regard;

(c) whether Government are considering to get these irregularities enquired into, so that restrictions may be imposed on purchase of goods; and

(d) if so, by when the enquiry would be conducted?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI M.A.A. FATMI): (a) and (b) Some procedural lapses in the selection for recruitment of teachers and contract of swimming pool/gymnasium, etc. have come to light.

(c) and (d) Inquiries have already been ordered.

Course on M.A. (Punjabi)

2077. SHRI VARINDER SINGH BAJWA: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to start M.A. (Punjabi) in Aligarh Muslim University from the ensuing academic year;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the guidelines laid down for starting such a course?

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